

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: OONO <i>et al.</i> Appl. No.: 10/500,293 § 371(c) Date: October 5, 2004 For: Methods for Producing Labeled Nucleic Acids or Proteins	Confirmation No.: 9002 Art Unit: 1637 Examiner: Pande, Suchira Atty. Docket: 2144.0220000/RWE
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Amendment and Reply

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 10, 2008, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 20080903) and further to the Notice of Appeal filed March 10, 2009, and the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed concurrently herewith, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

It is hereby requested that the period for filing a reply to the outstanding Office Action after Notice of Appeal on March 10, 2009, be extended two months from April 10, 2009 to June 10, 2009, by the filing of the fee payment which is provided through online credit card payment. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency (including fees for net addition of claims) or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. In the event that further extensions of time are necessary

to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.